

Reader**Readings**

Sun 1 Apr Liz Johnson	Liturgy of the Passion
Sun 8 Apr Alan Waddell	Acts 10: 34 – 43; 1 Corinthians 15: 1 – 11; (John 20: 1 – 18)
Sun 15 Apr Margaret Gray	Acts 4: 32 – 35; 1 John 1: - 2: 2; (John 20: 19 – 31)
Sun 22 Apr Liz Johnson	Acts 3: 12 – 19; 1 John 3: 1 – 7; (Luke 24: 36b – 48)
Sun 29 Apr Alan Waddell	Acts 4: 5 – 12; 1 John 3: 16 – 24; (John 10: 11 – 18)
Sun 8 May Margaret Gray	Acts 8: 26 – 40; 1 John 4: 7 – 21; (John 15: 1 – 8)

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Bishop's Lent Appeal

Bishop David has nominated Fikelela the HIV and AIDS Anglican charity in Cape Town as the Diocesan Lent Appeal this year. Their website says that "Fikeleka" means reach out and is the name of the HIV/AIDS outreach programme of the Anglican Church in Cape Town, South Africa. Fikelela was founded in 2000 with the vision to provide an active Christian response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic in South Africa".

There are envelopes available in church for people who would like to make a personal contribution and I know that some people are collecting coins in jars! It would be very helpful if you could bring your contributions back to church by the 15th April.

A Prayer for April

If we ask the question 'how do we get to know God?' Jesus would say 'seek and your will find'. A prayer from St Benedict on seeking God

Gracious and holy Father, give me wisdom to recognise you, intelligence to understand you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to see you, a heart to meditate on you and life to proclaim you, through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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From your Rector

Dear Friends

Easter is the time of year when we focus on Jesus' Passion and the term 'Passion' is used in a very special sense to describe what happened to Jesus at the end of his earthly life – what was done to him when he stopped being a teacher, preacher, healer. It speaks of the intensity of Jesus' suffering and endurance, his love and this lies at the heart of our Christian faith. This is what we share in each Holy Week and Good Friday, this is what we celebrate each Easter morn when we sing Hallelua Christ is risen.

I hope that you will come and share in some or all of our Holy Week and Easter services; details of which are further on in this Newsletter. On Maundy Thursday evening we will be sharing a walk with members of the other churches in Tayport – a 'walk of witness' which will start at the Parish Church at 6pm and take in each of our churches along the route for a hymn and or prayer. We will 'drop off' at our own churches for our individual services. Last year a number of people acknowledged us, some from within their houses, others in the street, even a bus driver gave us a wave....

With my love and prayers, Christine

From our Service Registers

This month can we please remember in our prayers those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Eva Walmer, Beatrice Knox, Ronnie Payne and Steve Bayne.

Faith In Action

The Church in Society Committee of the Scottish Episcopal Church, the United Reformed Church Synod of Scotland and the Methodist Church in Scotland has produced a 'Faith in Action' Calendar for 2012. Copies of the monthly leaflets will be available in church. The leaflets give suggestions for prayer and projects with the focus in April will be 'Prisons'.

Healing Service

Many people that I meet have spoken to me of the benefits they received from the Healing Services that Bobby led during his ministry here in St Margaret's; following discussion with our vestry I am going to resurrect these. The services will be held in church on the first Wednesday of each month, beginning 2 May. They will begin at 2.30 and be followed by tea and coffee in the Dickson Hall. Please pass the word around.

April Events

- Wed 25 Apr Talk from Families First - St Andrews charity supporting families in St Andrews & surrounding areas (incl. Tayport) - this is a CATT evening event, more details to follow.
- Thur 26 Apr 7.30pm East Area Council Eucharist, St James the Great, Cupar, Bishop David presiding.
- Sun 6 May 2.30pm Afternoon Tea in Dickson Hall until 4.00pm

Holy Week Services

- Sun 1 Apr 10.30am Palm Sunday. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall.
- Mon 2 Apr 6.00pm Evening Prayer and Reflection.
- Tues 3 Apr 6.00pm Evening Prayer and Reflection.
- Wed 4 Apr 12 noon Midday Prayer and final Meditation of Lent.
- Thur 5 Apr 6.00pm Churches Acting Together in Tayport Maundy Thursday Procession
- 7.00pm Eucharist of the Lord's Supper and Watch
- Fri 6 Apr 2.00pm Good Friday Reflection
- Sun 8 Apr 10.30am Easter Day. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall.

Post Holy Week April Services

- Every Wednesday Midday prayers (15 mins) in Church.
- Sun 15 Apr 10.30am 2nd Sunday of Easter. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall.
- Sun 22 Apr 10.30am 3rd Sunday of Easter. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall.
- Sun 29 Apr 10.30am 4th Sunday of Easter. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall.
- Sun 6 May 10.30am 5th Sunday of Easter. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall.

April Rotas

	<u>Reception</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Sun 1 Apr	Christine Barker	Janette Turvey
Sun 8 Apr	Janette Turvey	Margaret Redpath
Sun 15 Apr	Margaret Redpath	Liz Johnson
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